

I claim:

1. A method for registering an identifier comprising the steps of:

selecting a first naming system from one of a plurality of registerable
naming systems;

selecting at least one first identifier from said first naming system;

determining whether said first identifier is available for registration;

selecting a second naming system from one of a plurality of registerable
naming systems wherein said second naming system is a different naming
system from said first naming system;

selecting at least one second identifier from said second naming system;

determining whether said second identifier is available for registration;

and,

registering at least one identifier in response to determining that one of a
said first identifier and said second identifier is available for registration.

2. A method, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said first identifier and said
second identifier are the same identifier or similar identifiers.

3. A method, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said first identifier includes a
portion of said second identifier.

4. A method, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said second identifier includes a
portion of said first identifier.

5. A method, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said step of selecting said first
identifier further includes the step of generating said first identifier and said step
of selecting said second identifier further includes the step of generating said
second identifier from the first identifier.

6. A method, as set forth in claim 5, wherein said step of generating said first identifier and said second identifier further includes the step of generating the identifier by consulting from one of a word generation method, dictionary, thesaurus, prefix, suffix, word root, word stem, set of heuristic naming rules, namespace syntax, identifier equivalent, language translation, phonetic spelling, phonemes, identifier watch list, list of desirable descriptors, personal identifier portfolio, competitor identifier portfolio, mnemonic method, abbreviation, namespace mapping, identifier mapping, delimiter mapping, rhyming method, name-to-number conversion, number-to-name conversion, and identifier history.

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7. A method, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said step of selecting said second identifier further includes the step of automatically selecting said second identifier in response to selecting said first identifier.

8. A method, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said step of selecting said second identifier further includes the step of automatically selecting said second identifier in response to determining whether said first identifier is available for registration.

9. A method, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said step of registering the identifier further includes the step of registering the identifier from a unified registration form interface.

10. A method, as set forth in claim 1, further including the step of concurrently selecting from said first naming system and said second naming system.

11. A method, as set forth in claim 1, further including the step of concurrently selecting from said first identifier and said second identifier.

12. A method, as set forth in claim 1, further including the step of concurrently determining whether said first identifier and said second identifier is available for registration.

5 13. A method, as set forth in claim 1, further including the step of concurrently registering said first identifier and said second identifier.

14. A method, as set forth in claim 13, further including the steps of allocating said first identifier when it is determined that said first identifier is available for registration, and releasing said first identifier from allocation when it is
10 determined that said first identifier will not be registered.

15. A method, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said step of determining whether said second identifier is available for registration further includes the
15 step of determining whether said second identifier is available for registration while said first identifier is allocated.

16. A method, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said first identifier is a primary identifier and said first naming system is a primary naming system.

20 17. A method, as set forth in claim 16, further including the step of selecting said first identifier, said second identifier, and said primary identifier from one of a valid domain name, fictitious domain name, TLDA name, multilingual domain name, phone number, keyword, search term, RealName, Network, Internet
25 keyword, AOL keyword, Publisher Item Identifier (PII), Digital Object Identifier (DOI), Inter Deposit Digital Number (IDDN), International Standard Book Number (ISBN), International Standard Technical Report Number (ISRN), International Standard Serial Number (ISSN), Serial Item and Contribution Identifier (SICI), Book Item and Component Identifier (BICI), European Article Number (EAN),
30 Universal Product Code (UPC), Standard Address Number (SAN), International Standard Audiovisual Number (ISAN), International Standard Work Code

(ISWC), International Standard Music Number (ISMN), International Standard Recording Code (ISRC), Intellectual Property Identification (IPI), Uniform File Identifier (UFI), Uniform Resource Identifier (URI), Persistent Uniform Resource Locator (PURL), Universally Unique Identifier (UUID), Globally Unique Identifier (GUID), Namespace Identifier (NID), Bank Identification Number (BIN), Personal Identification Number (PIN), Mod 10 Number, credit card number, Electronic Serial Number (ESN), Mobile Identification Number (MIN), Automatic Number Identification (ANI), Social Security Number (SSN), Employer Identification Number (EIN), Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), Vehicle Identification Number (VIN), World manufacturer identifier (WMI), Manufacturer Identification Number (MIN), Market Identifier Code (MIC), Standard Industrial Classification (SIC), Standard Occupational Classification (SOC), Stock Keeping Unit number (SKU), International Business Entity Identifier (IBEI), Institution Identification Code (IIC), National Provider Identifier (NPI), Dunn and Bradstreet Number (DUNS), SEC file number, patent number, trademark number, serial number, charter number, policy number, certification number, document identifier, reference number, invoice number, transaction identifier, validation code, account number, merchant code, reseller code, affiliate code, authorization code, network identifier, user identifier, PGP key, digital certificate, driver license number, license plate number, trademark, servicemark, tradename, fictitious name, company name, DBA, AKA, stock symbol, station identifier, broadcast station call letters, ham radio call letters, broadcast frequency number, street name, street address, ZIP code, IP address, host, e-mail address, ICQ number, nickname, screen name, username, alias, handle, document title, book title, song title, movie title, phrase, slogan, machine readable code, glyph, image, icon, animation, sequence of musical notes, date, time, name, abbreviation, mnemonic, moniker, label, alphanumeric, string, character, symbol, token, integer, and number.

18. A method, as set forth in claim 17, further including the step of selecting said first naming system, said second naming system, and said primary naming

system from one of a domain name system, fictitious domain name system, multilingual naming system, keyword system, telephone naming and numbering system, user naming system, address system, time system, language system, Dewey decimal system, catalog naming system, document system, resource naming system, image naming system, geographic naming system, Government naming system, identification naming system, and any other naming system that supports said identifier selection.

19. An apparatus for registering an identifier comprising:

- 10 a processor;
- a memory coupled to said processor;
- a browser type program;
- means for selecting a first naming system from one of a plurality of registerable naming systems;
- 15 means for selecting at least one first identifier from said first naming system;
- means for determining whether said first identifier is available for registration;
- means for selecting a second naming system from one of a plurality of registerable naming systems wherein said second naming system is a different naming system from said first naming system;
- 20 means for selecting at least one second identifier from said second naming system;
- means for determining whether said second identifier is available for registration; and,
- 25 means for registering at least one identifier in response to determining that one of a said first identifier and said second identifier is available for registration.

- 30 20. A computer program product for registering an identifier comprising the steps of:

a browser type program for retrieving content from a network;
means for selecting a first naming system from one of a plurality of
registerable naming systems;
means for selecting at least one first identifier from said first naming
5 system;
means for determining whether said first identifier is available for
registration;
means for selecting a second naming system from one of a plurality of
registerable naming systems wherein said second naming system is a different
10 naming system from said first naming system;
means for selecting at least one second identifier from said second
naming system;
means for determining whether said second identifier is available for
registration; and,
15 means for registering at least one identifier in response to determining
that one of a said first identifier and said second identifier is available for
registration.